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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were filed on August 28, 2002 and August 9, 2001, and the Request for Continued Examination "RCE" that was filed on June 29, 2006, Applicants hereby submit the following documents.

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 5,444,816 to ADOUL et al, which issued on August 22, 1995;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 5,701,392 to ADOUL et al, which issued on December 23, 1997;
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 6,029,125 to HAGEN et al, which issued on February 22, 2000;

- (4) U.S. Patent No. 6,058,359 to HAGEN et al, which issued on May 2, 2000;
- (5) U.S. Patent No. 6,301,556 to HAGEN et al, which issued on October 9, 2001; and
- (6) U.S. Patent No. 6,564,183 to HAGEN et al, which issued on October 9, 2001.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the above-noted U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cited the same. The above-noted documents are listed on an attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants submit no fee is required to be paid to ensure consideration of the cited material, as they are being submitted within three months of the filing of the RCE.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted, Kazutoshi YASUNAGA et al.

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